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a) determining the natural killer lymphocyte cytotoxicity of said patient to provide a baseline natural killer lymphocyte cytotoxicity;

b) administering an immunostimulatory dosage of an  $\alpha$ -interferon composition to said patient, wherein said immunostimulatory dosage is 500,000 U/m<sup>2</sup> or less per day and at least about 250,000 U/m<sup>2</sup> per day; and

c) surgically resecting said malignant tumor. --

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